

Low Cost and Free eLearning Tools

Course Authoring and LCMS

Tool Name	Description	Link
Udutu	Free LCMS, also offers LMS starting at \$19/mo.	http://www.udutu.com
EasyGenerator	Free LCMS, more features with \$49/mo subscription	http://www.easygenerator.com
Snap by Lectora	\$99 PowerPoint to eLearning conversion tool	http://lectora.com/rapid-e-learning-snap-by-lectora
Adobe Presenter and Captivate	Offer yearly subscriptions paid monthly for under \$250/yr.	http://www.adobe.com/products/presenter.html http://www.adobe.com/products/captivate.html
Camtasia alternatives	This site has a list of free products to create software demos. Consider Jing, which is a free and simplified version of Camtasia.	http://www.learndash.com/free-alternative-to-camtasia-studio/

Learning Management Systems

LMS	Description	Link
Latitude Learning	Free LMS for up to 100 users	http://www.latitudelearning.com/FreeLMS.aspx
CourseSites by BlackBoard	Free LMS for up to 5 courses. Includes social learning.	https://www.coursesites.com/webapps/Bb-sites-course-creation-BBLEARN/pages/index.html
Litmos	\$99/mo for up to 25 users	http://www.litmos.com/
Moodle	Open source LMS requires implementation, customization, servers, etc.	http://www.moodle.org
eTrainCenter	Free LMS and LCMS. Be careful about developing content in an LMS. Make sure you can get it out and use it in another LMS.	https://www.etraincenter.com/default.aspx

Synchronous eLearning Tools

Tool	Description	Link
AnyMeeting	Free live meeting/training platform.	http://www.anymeeting.com
JoinMe	Free screen sharing platform. Beware of security concerns.	http://www.join.me

Audio/Video Tools

Tool	Description	Link
Audacity	Free audio editing tool	http://audacity.sourceforge.net/
Movie Maker	Easy video editing tool	Comes with your PC, so you already have it.
Format Factory	Converts one video format to another	http://www.pcfreetime.com/

Graphic/Visual Tools

Tool	Description	Link
Gimp	Free tool for resizing and compressing photos	http://www.gimp.org/
Photo Resizer	Does batch resizing of photos	http://www.rw-designer.com/picture-resize
Paint.net	Free graphics editing tool	http://www.getpaint.net/
MW Snap	Free screen grab tool	http://download.cnet.com/MWSnap/3000-2072_4-10524229.html
Snagit	More features than MW Snap for \$50	http://www.techsmith.com/snagit.html
Pixie	Free color picker tool to match colors from other products to your eLearning templates	http://www.nattyware.com/pixie.php

Stock Media/Images

Organization	Description	Link
Getty Images	If you use their embed code that provides credit, you can use many of their images for free	http://www.gettyimages.com/
eLearning Brothers	eLearning templates and characters. Built for Articulate products, but may be used with other tools.	www.elearningbrothers.com
TrueContent	Characters and scenes for scenario-based learning	www.truecontent.com
Shutterstock	Site for licensing stock photos. Monthly plans allow downloading 25 photos a day. Search for coupon codes to bring down price.	www.shutterstock.com
Articulate eLearning Heros	Free PPT templates developed by Articulate users	http://community.articulate.com/downloads/g/powerpoint/default.aspx
FootageFirm	Free stock video footage and music	www.footagefirm.com
Mechanical Curator	Images from books spanning the 16 th to 19 th centuries	http://mechanicalcurator.tumblr.com/archive
Various	Royalty free photos and other media	http://www.freedigitalphotos.net/ http://search.creativecommons.org/

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